

## CLAIMS

1. A method for online purchasing of electronic information comprising the steps of:
  - a) selecting said electronic information;
  - b) paying for said electronic information;
  - c) directly receiving said electronic information by a user printing device; and
  - d) printing said electronic information on a medium.
2. The method of claim 1 further including the step of:
  - e) sampling said electronic information.
3. The method of claim 1 further including the step of:
  - e) selectively mixing and ordering a plurality of selected electronic information.
4. The method of claim 3 further including the step of:
  - f) selectively labeling said electronic information.
5. The method of claim 1 further including the step of:
  - e) printing a user-selected label on said medium.
6. The method of claim 5 wherein said label includes a photo.
7. The method of claim 5 wherein said label includes a title.
8. The method of claim 5 wherein said label includes music lyrics.
9. The method of claim 5 wherein said label includes a video scene.
10. The method of claim 5 wherein said label includes concert information.

11. The method of claim 1 further including the step of:  
e) printing a jacket for said medium.

12. The method of claim 11 further including the step of:  
f) printing a user-selected label on said jacket.

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13. The method of claim 12 wherein said label includes a photo.

14. The method of claim 12 wherein said label includes a title.

15. The method of claim 12 wherein said label includes music lyrics.

16. The method of claim 12 wherein said label includes a video scene.

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17. The method of claim 1 wherein said electronic information comprises music data.

18. The method of claim 17 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information includes the step of selecting a category of music data.

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19. The method of claim 17 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information music data includes the step of selecting a title of said music data.

20. The method of claim 17 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information music data includes the step of selecting an artist of said music data.

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21. The method of claim 17 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information music data includes the step of selecting a new release of said music data.

22. The method of claim 1 wherein said electronic information comprises video data.

23. The method of claim 22 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information video data includes the step of selecting a category of said video data.

24. The method of claim 22 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information video data electronic information includes the step of selecting a title of said video data.

25. The method of claim 22 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information video data electronic information includes the step of selecting a director of said video data.

26. The method of claim 22 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information video data electronic information includes the step of selecting a producer of said video data.

27. The method of claim 22 wherein the step of selecting said electronic information video data electronic information includes the step of selecting a new release of said video data.

28. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of paying for said electronic information comprises paying with a credit card.

29. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of paying for said electronic information comprises paying with a debit card.

30. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of paying for said electronic information comprises paying with an electronic check.

31. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of receiving said electronic information comprises receiving said electronic information by a user printer.

32. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of receiving said electronic information comprises receiving said electronic information by a user CD-machine.

33. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of receiving said electronic information comprises receiving said electronic information via an electronic network.

34. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of receiving said electronic information comprises receiving said electronic information via the Internet.

35. A method for online purchasing of electronic information comprising the steps of:

- a) selecting said electronic information from an electronic database;
- b) sampling said electronic information by audio and/or visual means;
- c) paying for said electronic information;
- d) directly receiving said electronic information by a user printing device;
- e) printing said electronic information on a medium;
- f) selecting a label for said electronic information; and
- g) printing said label on said medium.

36. A system for online purchasing of electronic information, said system comprising:

- a) a database for maintaining said electronic information;
- b) a user data-processing system for accessing said database;
- c) a user printing device for directly receiving and printing said electronic information on a medium; and

d) an electronic network for interconnecting said database, said user data-processing system, and said user printing device.

37. The system according to claim 36 wherein said database comprises a distributed database.

5 38. The system according to claim 36 wherein said printing device comprises a user printer.

39. The system according to claim 36 wherein said printing device comprises a user CD-machine.

10 40. The system according to claim 39 wherein said medium includes CD-ROM.

41. The system according to claim 36 wherein said electronic network includes the Internet.